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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kaoru MATSUMOTO

Group Art Unit: 3746

Application No.: 10/807,229

Examiner: W. Rodriguez

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Docket No.: 106609.99

For: BLOWER

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representatives by Examiner Rodriguez in the March 1, 2005 personal interview. Applicant's separate record of the substance of the interview follows.

Applicant's representative, Mr. Christopher Brown, conducted the interview with Examiner Rodriguez. Mr. William Utermohlen observed the proceedings.

At the interview, Mr. Brown explained the blower design. Each of independent claims 1, 4, 9, 14, 19 and 21 was also reviewed with the Examiner to explain the claimed features. In reviewing the claims, reference was made to a working example blower as well as to the application Figures.

Each of JP 32777641, JP 218096 and JP 158198 was also reviewed with the Examiner during the interview. The Examiner noted that he found JP 3277641 to be the most relevant.

During the interview, Examiner Rodriguez informed Mr. Brown of U.S. Patent No. 6,447,272. However, the Examiner also noted that this patent was not prior art against the reissue patent claims.

An early and favorable action on the merits is solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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